GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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POLIO TREATMENT FACILITIES
ALE NARENDRA

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether adequate facilities are available in all States to treat the polio patients;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any irregularities have come to the notice of the Government in implementing pulse polio programme such as misappropriation/under utilization of funds provided by the Union Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to curb such irregularities and to achieve the targets set for the scheme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (e) Treatment facilities are available at tertiary level hospitals of States/UTs for treatment of Polio Patients.

The vaccine is given to the States in kind. Funds towards operational expenses for conducting Pulse Polio Immunization rounds are given to the States/UTs on the basis of approved financial norms for various Components. Whenever instances of irregularities in the implementation of Pulse Polio Immunization come to notice, the State government are advise to take necessary action in the matter. One case of alleged financial irregularity by some officials of Rajasthan government is presently under investigation by the Central Bureau of Investigation.